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TOPIC Soviet Troop Trains

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REMARKS

This is UNEVALUATED Information

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1. On 7 December 1953, a troop train of several boxcars with soldiers and an undetermined number of flatcars with rocket launchers [redacted] was observed at the Perle-Hennersdorf railroad station. The train was headed toward Beelitz. 1

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2. Receiving stations [redacted] included: Magdeburg [redacted] Velten, [redacted] and Altstrelitz, [redacted] Riesa, [redacted] and Velten [redacted] on 19 December. 2

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3. Troop Trains [redacted] between 21 and 25 December included: 25X1

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Date in Composition of
December Troop Trains

	From	To	
21 27 cars	Velten	Fuerstenberg	[redacted]
22 5 converted boxcars, 2 boxcars and 16 flatcars	Fuerstenberg	Velten	
23 40 cars	Chemnitz	Riesa	
24 72 cars	Leipzig	Brest-Litovsk	shuttle-train
25 41 cars	Magdeburg	Brest-Litovsk	shuttle-train

4. On 21 December, a troop train of 7 converted boxcars, 3 boxcars, and 21 flatcars, [redacted] went from Velten to Fuerstenberg. 3

5. On 21 and 22 December, a total of 79 converted boxcars were dispatched from Rummelsburg to Frankfurt/Oder to be handed over to Poland. 4

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6. [] troop trains from Ribnitz-Damgarten to Parchim
[] between 25 and 26 December:

Date in December	Composition of Troop Trains	Tons
25	5 converted boxcars, 18 boxcars, and 21 flatcars	350
26	5 converted boxcars, 17 boxcars, and 18 flatcars	800
28	4 converted boxcars, 11 boxcars, and 29 flatcars	850

On 25 December, a shipment of seven cars with loads exceeding the standard loading gauge went from Frankfurt/Oder to Damgarten. 5

7. On 25, 27, 29 and 31 December, and on 2 and 4 January 1954, a troop train of 4 converted boxcars, 25 boxcars, and 20 flatcars each was scheduled to be dispatched from Neubrandenburg to Ribnitz-Damgarten. 5

1. Comment. [] a component of the 10th Gds Tank Div which went to Justerbog either for exchange of equipment or firing practice.

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3. Comment. The troop trains probably belonged to a ^{rotation} movement of AAA units of the 31st AAA Div which are employed in the area of the Hq Second Gds Mocz Army.

4. Comment. All information available indicates that the personnel exchange movement was terminated.

The shuttle-trains are commented on as follows:

Shuttle-train [] On 26 November 1953, the train was last dispatched to the zone with replacements 25X1

Shuttle-train [] On 3 December 1953, the train hauled discharges from the zone to the east

Shuttle-train [] On 29 November 1953, the train returned empty from Jagodin.

The routes of shuttle trains of the present report which 25X1

[] were empty trains, indicate that the trains will be used for repatriation of German prisoners of war. The boxcars reported in paragraph 5 will probably be employed for the same purpose.

5. Comment. The troop trains were probably employed in conjunction with a local reorganization of the fighter division Pustwitz following the completion of Parchim airfield.

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